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National Supply Ships 'Monster' Butterfly Valve

National Supply Co. loaded for shipment last week components of a 156-inch butterfly valve assembly which ultimately will be placed in operation by Pacific Gas and Electric Co. after machine work done by the Westinghouse Electric Co. in Sunnyvale.

The "monster" was manufactured in four pieces, a 26,000-pound casting of the body, two body flanges weighing more than 7000 pounds each, and a 30,000-pound disc. Because the 13-foot diameter of these pieces prohibited shipping them flat, it was necessary to stand them vertically and accept the resultant excess height with correspondingly high center of gravity for the load.

Approximately two tons of bracing were used to keep the 70,000-pound load in position. The timbring was mostly 6-inch by 6-inch, "A" frames on each side, made of 3-inch steel pipe, supported by a 6-inch "I" beam at the top of the inside of the housing. Angle irons, cross bracing, and 1-inch tie rods also were used.

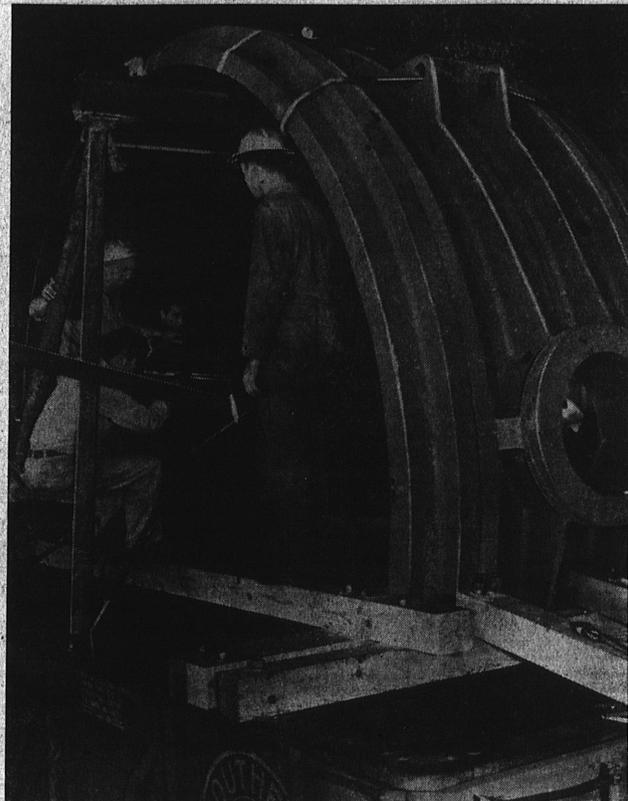
Most of the steel work was welded in place and the timbring bolted so that, for all practical purposes, the load was made an integral part of the carrier.

Branch Manager Named For American-Standard

Robert F. Gells has been appointed general manager of branches of American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp., and Joseph Salamone has been named manager of branch house operations, it was announced yesterday by Joseph A. Grazer, acting president of the corporation.

'Life of Moses' First Of Six Sunday Sermons

The "Life of Moses" will comprise the sermon topic at the 9 and 11 a.m. services at the First Methodist Church today, the first of six sermons on Old Testament characters. The sermon reveals how Moses was able to lead his people through a difficult transitional period from a captive people into a stable national existence.



WHAT GOES ON HERE? ... This is not a quonset hut being erected on a freight car but components of a 156-in. butterfly valve assembly, manufactured at National Supply Co., being loaded for shipment. In the foreground is the 26,000-lb. casting of the body, sandwiched between two body flanges weighing more than 7000 lbs. each. Farther back on the car is a 30,000-lb. disc.



KENNETH W. JONES Officer Candidate

Student Trains For Commission In Marine Corps

Denneth W. Jones son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Jones of 18410 Bella Ave., Torrance, California, is among the 1900 candidates now undergoing officer training at the Marine Corps Schools at Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Va.

Candidate Jones is a member of the Marine Corps Platoon Leaders Class. Members of this group train for six weeks during two summer vacations from college. Successful candidates are commissioned second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve upon their graduation from college and serve on active duty for two years.

The officer candidate is a student at Washington University. He graduated from Washington High School in 1949. Jones will receive intensive training in military leadership, and military organization. College students enrolling in this Marine Corps program are trained only during summer vacations. Upon receiving training at Marine Corps specialist schools.

40th Division Society Plans Military Ball

A military ball sponsored by the 40th Division Society will be held on Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Hotel Biltmore in Los Angeles, it was announced yesterday by Thomas Fannon, 17520 Cerise Ave., vice-president of the organization.

The Halloween ball will be held to raise funds for the Kaiser School in Korea, according to Fannon. Admission will be \$5 a couple. The Kaiser School, first co-educational high school in Korea, was started by the 40th Division when on duty there with a subscription of \$6000. It was named after Kenneth Kaiser, first 40th Division casualty of the Korean war.

The Halloween dance will kick off a county-wide drive for supplies for the school. Athletic equipment, books, and other letic supplies will be solicited. Fannon said. Such material may be sent to the custodian of any army in the area, he said. Tickets for the Oct. 31 ball may be obtained at the Los Angeles Army 340 S. Hope St., Los Angeles, or by calling Richmond 8796 where Mr. Durgin, secretary of the 40th Division Society, will handle the reservations.

Seaman Aboard Destroyer In Far Eastern Waters

Aboard the destroyer USS Harry E. Hubbard in the Korean Area since the outbreak of hostilities in 1950. On previous cruises, the destroyer accompanied such ships as the battleship USS Missouri and the cruiser USS Los Angeles on shore bombardment missions which raked supply lines, railroads, bridges, and factory locations in Red territory along the Korean east coast.

District Governor Visits Local Rotary Next Week

The Torrance Rotary Club will be honored twice this week when Dr. Charles H. Titus, district governor of Rotary International, will visit the club, it was announced by the club president, Jack N. Dabbs.

On Tuesday evening, Sept. 29, following a dinner meeting at the Smith Brothers Fish Shanty, Dr. Titus conducted an assembly. He conferred with chairmen of the club's committees and with officers of the club concerning projects and plans for the club year.

Dr. Titus will address the entire club, with their wives as guests, on Thursday evening at a dinner meeting at the Torrance Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave. The subject of his address will be "Rotary Service in Your Community."

This is Dr. Titus' first visit to the Torrance club since he was elected to lead the 28 Rotary clubs in the Los Angeles metropolitan area. He is a professor of political science at the University of California at Los Angeles, where he has been a member of the faculty for the past 27 years.

A veteran of both World Wars, Dr. Titus served with the Signal Corps as a sergeant in Europe in 1918-19. He went back into the service in the second World War to become a Lt. Col. with the First Corps Signal Battalion in Australia and New Guinea.

He has been an active worker in Rotary for many years and is past president of his own club, the West Los Angeles Rotary Club.

The Torrance club is one of 8000 similar Rotary clubs making up a total membership of some 370,000 leading business and professional men in 86 different countries of the world. Dr. Titus, being a student of politics and an authority in the field of public relations, is quick to point out that no Rotary clubs exist in any country behind the "Iron Curtain." It is an international organization, he said, does not extend to Communist dominated countries, he said.



DR. CHARLES TITUS Rotary Speaker

Total of Oil Co. Owners in State Double Since '41

The number of Californians with an ownership interest in Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Inc., including its affiliated General Petroleum Corp., which has one of its largest refineries in Torrance, has more than doubled since 1941.

This information comes from Socony-Vacuum's New York headquarters, which has found that the number of Californians with interests in Socony-Vacuum's affiliate "Flying Red Horse" companies, which include General Petroleum, has jumped from 6000 to 13,000 in the past 12 years.

Robert L. Minkler, president of General Petroleum, said in information received from Socony-Vacuum's New York headquarters revealed Californians make up nearly one-twelfth of all Socony-Vacuum shareholders.

Socony-Vacuum now has 174,000 owners, one and a half times as many as it had in 1941. Their addresses sweep across every state in the Union and, in smaller numbers, some 90 countries abroad. While gains have been made in practically every state, there has been a gradual shift in percentage of total over the years, both in the number of holdings and in shares held, from the Northeast and Southwest to the Far West, Midwest and Southeast.

Of Socony-Vacuum's 174,000 owners, Minkler said, 93 per cent are individuals. The other 7 per cent are trustees, brokers, and nominees; business, insurance, investment, and finance companies; and educational, charitable, and religious institutions.

The rise since 1941 in the number of non-individual shareholders—from some 8000 to 110,000—indicates a considerable increase in the number of persons with an indirect financial interest in Socony-Vacuum.

If the investment firms, for instance, ten of which own large blocks of Socony-Vacuum stock have an aggregate of half a million shareholders. Here are other highlights from the company's latest annual shareholder analysis: Almost half of the shareholders hold less than 50 shares. Almost two-thirds hold less than 100.

There are 396 institutional and corporate holders, nominees, brokers, and trustees with 5000 shares or more.

The number of educational, charitable and religious institutions holding shares of Socony-Vacuum stock has increased in the last 12 years from 364 to 909. General Petroleum is one of two principal domestic affiliates of Socony-Vacuum, and operates in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington. Magnolia Petroleum Co., operating in the South and Southwest, is the other.

Trip to Israel For Councilman Gibson Revealed

Councilman John S. Gibson Jr., president of the Los Angeles City Council and representative of the 15th Councilmanic District, will represent the city of Los Angeles and Mayor Norris E. Poulson on a 20,000-mile flight to the Middle East this month, it was announced yesterday. Gibson will leave here Oct. 14 and will fly from New York on Oct. 17, he said. The trip will take about three weeks and is sponsored by the Municipal Association of the United States, which is interested particularly in the progress being made in the State of Israel.

During the trip the councilman will have about a week in Palestine and the Holy Land for side tours where he and other members of the party will inspect the treatment being accorded displaced persons from Europe.

The group also will visit Rome and Paris during the trip. Council President Gibson is making the trip at the request of Mayor Poulson. The mayor also requested the Council to appropriate \$1800 for the trip, saying that a city such as Los Angeles should not depend on the Jewish people to pay for the trip as had been offered. Accompanying the councilman will be Mrs. Gibson, whose way is being paid by Gibson.

Narbonne Grad Wins College Scholarship

Betty Wilson, of 24336 Lucille Ave., Lomita, was the recipient of the Martha Lorraine \$800 scholarship at Palos Verdes College, President John A. Howard announced recently. Miss Wilson is a graduate of Narbonne High School.

3 Have Driving Rights Removed

Hardly any Torrance residents were included on the list of those who had their drivers' licenses removed by the California Department of Motor Vehicles during the period Sept. 14-18.

Losing licenses were Everett Buster, 1547 W. 213th St., revoked because of bad driving record; Tosh Hirata, 18245 Amie Ave., order of probation because of bad driving record; and Wilbert Pate, 20405 Hawthorne Blvd., suspended on a second drunk driving offense within seven years.

Convicted of a violation but with no suspension recommended by the court were Robert McGilvrey, 2261 W. 233rd St.; Earl Sanders, 1612 W. 227th St.; and Samuel Vasarhely, Plaza Hotel. Licenses have been reinstated to Harry Cambra, 26410 Marigold Ave., Harbor City; Thomas Grande, 2276 W. 203rd St.; In a gun in his right pants pocket, grid Gray, 26333 Belle Porte Harbor City; Emil Gutierrez, 2376 Edgewater; Ruben Jimenez, 1829 Fenton Ave.; John A. Maduro, 1523 W. 256th St.; Harbor City; and Iris Reuss, 2843 Alberta St.

Skipper Inn Robbed Again By 4 Gunmen

For the second time in less than a week, the Skipper Inn, 18930 Hawthorne Blvd., was robbed by armed thugs at 1:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

Customer Don Nelson, of Hawthorne, who thought the stick-up was a joke and laughed in the gunmen's faces, was relieved of \$90 and told by one of the gang of four men to "look up at the ceiling and don't laugh." Owner Louis Milovich said the gunmen got \$20 from the bar. Last Tuesday two young men armed with a military rifle, stuck Milovich up and escaped with \$50.

Police were told that three of the men came in to the bar at 1:30 a.m., two sitting next to Nelson at the bar and the other standing behind them. The fourth man then entered, stood at the end of the bar, simulated a gun in his right pants pocket, and made Milovich empty the cash register.

While another suspect checked the drawers behind the bar, another took Nelson's wallet, and still another ripped the receiver from the telephone.

First Services Held in Chapel Of HEUB Church

The congregation of the Hope Evangelical United Brethren Church in North Torrance noted another advance in membership on Sunday when the chapel was used for the first time. The pastor, Rev. Homer H. Miller, presented certificates of membership to Rev. Walter Stanton, Donald Alford, Sunday School attendance went over a hundred and already the little chapel is overcrowded. "It is imperative that steps be taken immediately to prepare for the permanent church structure," states Rev. Homer Miller, pastor.

In the afternoon the new parsonage was dedicated at 17802 Crenshaw Blvd. Dr. Oliver E. Schrafer conducted the dedication service, assisted by the pastor and Rev. Walter Stanton, pastor of Central Church, and Rev. David Lynch, pastor of Christ Church in Gardena. Key to the parsonage was presented to the pastor by the local board of trustees, consisting of Delbert Alford, E. C. Collins, David Dyer, Wayne Brooks, and Jack White.

Musical was furnished by the Men's Quartet of Central Church and Mrs. Irene Hoy, Mrs. Hilda Findley served as accompanist. World Communion Service will be observed next Sunday morning at 10:45 in the chapel. Throughout the world, wherever the name of Christ is held in reverence, Christians unite in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Members of the church and other Christians in the community are invited to participate in this service. A number of persons have requested Christian baptism and others have indicated their intention to unite with the church at the next Sunday services," states Rev. Miller.

First Methodist Church Plans to Form Scout Troop

Parents and friends of Scouting will meet at the First Methodist Church Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock to outline plans to organize a new Boy Scout troop under the direction of the commission on education of the church. Scoutmaster will be Al Devenish, of 2098 Middlebrook Rd. Any parents who would like their boys to become Scouts are invited to attend.

Coming Events

Table listing various events for October and November, including dances, lectures, and religious services.



NICE GOING ... Pvt. Edward G. Boyce, left, son of Mrs. Emma Joyce, 1619 W. 214th St., congratulates Pvt. Everett Ausman of Anotona, Wash., after Ausman was graduated as honor student of his class in the Leadership School at Camp Roberts, Calif. The leaders' course trains men to become non-commissioned officers and prepares them for Officers Candidate School.

Tartar Teen Talk

By DORIS POPOVICH

By DORIS POPOVICH The third week of school is under way and things seem to be really rolling at Tartarville. The 27 new teachers, plus the new students which represent approximately one-half of the student body have by now had a chance to acquaint themselves pretty well with Torrance High. We hope they like it as well as the old Tartars.

The student council is working very hard pushing the sale of ASB cards which ends this Friday. They are hoping not only to reach their goal but to far surpass it. Remember every one, help support student activities by buying an ASB card. You have until Friday.

After the Bee game Thursday Judy Wright, Julia Reid, Cyndy Easley, Ann Steinbaugh, Pat Flanagan and Doris Popovich went to the home of Judy Nash to help her get rid of her birthday cake. Was she surprised!

The first edition of the TNT was distributed Monday at TNT. The hard work of the TNT staff is greatly appreciated by all readers of this great school paper. Scoutmaster will be Al Devenish, of 2098 Middlebrook Rd. Any parents who would like their boys to become Scouts are invited to attend.